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1. On 27 April 1951, between 4:30 and 6 p.m., 73 single-engine ground attack aircraft were counted on the northern edge of Doeberitz airfield. The planes were parked in two lines opposite each other. Possibly not all aircraft were seen since the view was obstructed by bushes and garages. 25X1

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[redacted] the fuselages of seven planes. Most of the planes had a red stripe about 30-cm to 40-cm long and 10-cm wide on the leading edge of their rudder assemblies. The stripes and stars on the fuselages were the same color. The star on the rudder assemblies, which were of a lighter red, were bordered with the red of the stripes. Some planes had yellow propeller hubs.

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2. A single-engine ground attack aircraft was parked in the northeastern corner of the field. The red star on the fuselage was bordered with white. 25X1

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[redacted] Sixty-two ground attack aircraft were counted in two rows in the southern section of the field. Possibly not all the planes were seen. The hangars were closed. There was no flying or military activity.

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3. On 4 May 1951, between 4 and 5:30 p.m., 75 ground attack aircraft with the same tactical symbols were counted on the northern edge of the field. 25X1

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[redacted] Maintenance work was being done on a large portion of the planes. Forty-three aircraft were counted in the southern section of the field but not all the planes were seen. The hangars were closed. Individual local flights were made with about four to six planes after 2 p.m. Fifteen men wearing flying suits marched from the "lieger" caserne north of the field to the landing field. A shed was under construction at the end of the spur track in the northeastern corner of the field.

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4. At 3:15 p.m., on 4 May 1951, single-engine low-wing monoplanes were parked on the northern edge of the field. 25X1

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[redacted] About the same number of aircraft [redacted] were parked in the western section of the field at a right angle to the planes [redacted]. Truck [redacted] was seen at the field. * 25X1

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* [redacted] Comment. Two ground attack regiments are believed to be stationed in Doeberitz. The aircraft of the two regiments are distinguished by the various colors of the stripes on the rudder assemblies. The authorized strength of a ground attack regiment is believed to be 52 aircraft. It is believed that the equipment with aircraft of the two regiments exceeds the T/O & E strength. No observations have been made indicating that a third ground attack regiment has been transferred to Doeberitz.

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